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Dear Jim and Keith,

This letter is to certify that we believe that the MINOS detectors are safe to operate. As you know, both the near and far detectors have been running for some time now and have passed a number of safety reviews. We have personally inspected the installations and they appear to be in good order for safe operation. When MINOS collaborators come to Fermilab or Soudan for detector or shift work they are required to take safety training which identifies the possible hazards, expected cautions which are to be taken and actions to take in the event of an emergency. All MINOS collaborators who will be working in the near future at either detector site have received the necessary training. Please let us know if you feel there are any issues which we can help to address in order to assure safe operation of MINOS as we begin operations with the NuMI beam.

best regards,

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